



THE WESTLEIGH SCHOOL
Aspiring & Achieving Together

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Dear Parent/Carer,

On Saturday 27 November, the Prime Minister announced new temporary measures following the emergence of the Omicron variant of COVID-19 in the UK. As we approach the Christmas season it is important that our community has an opportunity to enjoy the festivities without becoming unwell or having to isolate. The information below highlights some of the important information that will support a more enjoyable Christmas season for all.

Face coverings

Although numbers are currently low within school, numbers have increased within the local authority and as such we must reiterate the message that **students, staff and visitors are to wear a face mask within communal areas.**

Contact tracing and isolation

The current guidance on contact tracing and isolation remains in place. In addition to these, any suspected or confirmed close contacts of the Omicron variant will be asked to isolate for 10 days regardless of vaccination status or age. You will be contacted directly and told to isolate.

Year 8 to Year 11 Form Tutor Evening

Following the increased risk from the Omicron variant we have taken the difficult decision to cancel the face to face meetings and move the event online. Unfortunately this will require you to re-book your appointments with the child's form tutor using the following link:

<http://westleigh.schoolcloud.co.uk>

This is an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress to date and discuss any queries you may have since starting the new academic year.

We will continue to review our response to COVID and will communicate any changes in due course.

Your sincerely,

Carlton Bramwell
Headteacher